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RE:

U.S. Patent Application of Bob McGuire, et al.

Entitled: "Drilling Flange and Independent Screwed Wellhead

with Metal-to-Metal Seal and Method of Use"

Serial No.: 10/656,693 Our Ref: 15912/09032

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Bob McGuire, et al.

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Title:

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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.